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This Bulletin, issued by the Acting Commonwealth Statistician, shows the monthly factory production in Victoria of certain commodities. For the purpose of the accompanying statistics a "factory" is defined as an industrial establishment in which four or more hands are employed or in which power other than hand is used. Monthly averages for the years 1938-39, 1949-50, 1950-51 and 1951-52 and monthly production for September to November 1951 and 1952 are shown.

Many of the items included here are shown in greater detail in other publications of the Bureau.

Figures of the production of each of the commodities listed are given up to the latest available month. For each commodity the authority responsible for the present collection is indicated alongside the title. The names of these authorities are given in full below. Figures up to 1949-50 inclusive are taken from the Government Statist's annual factory returns wherever possible. It should be noted that in some cases annual returns are accepted from factories for period other than those ending on June 30th, each year.

The scope of the Bulletin will be widened from time to time to include new information as it becomes available.

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- Nil or less than half the final digit normally shown.

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A blank space in a column of figures means that figures for the month concerned are not yet available.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION

The following is the key to the code of present collecting authorities:-

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| C. & A. | Commonwealth Department of Commerce and Agriculture. |
| G. S.   | Commonwealth or State Statistician.                  |
| J.C.B.  | Joint Coal Board.                                    |
| M. D.   | State Department of Mines.                           |
| T. & C. | Commonwealth Department of Trade & Customs.          |

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Commodity	Source	Unit	Monthly Averages				Monthly Production					
			Year				1951			1952		
			1938-39	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
FUEL: Briquettes	G.S.	ton	33,329	49,047	42,617	47,354	50,368	53,231	45,512	40,810	46,532	
Black Coal	J.C.B.	"	26,900	10,762	10,430	12,500	14,207	14,934	13,430	13,768	13,500	13,500
Brown Coal	G.S.	"	303,624	636,410	608,346	674,995	674,609	707,612	667,986	*654,970	667,488	
HEAT, LIGHT & POWER:												
Gas made in Gasworks	G.S.	mill.cub.ft.	694	896	943	1,035	1,077	1,060	966	1,157	1,140	1,063
Total Electricity Generated	G.S.	mill. k.W.h	102	226	237	244	241	251	238	259	266	
BUILDING MATERIALS:												
Clay Bricks	G.S.	'000	16,437	12,240	14,880	13,560	13,489	14,040	15,799	11,891	14,662	12,382
Fibrous Plaster Sheets (a)	G.S.	'000 sq.yds.	273	504	551	545	565	643	* 576	539	553	513
Tiles - Cement	G.S.	'000	252	1,595	1,894	2,193	2,013	2,352	2,286	1,757	1,963	1,680
Terra Cotta	G.S.	'000	1,145	1,023	1,025	1,039	1,037	1,184	1,094	1,332	1,443	1,252
CHEMICALS & ALLIED PRODUCTS:												
Paints - Ready Mixed Paint	G.S.	gal.	15,415	100,095	*124,197	118,847	138,328	140,873	134,855	76,717	92,364	89,100
Lacquers(Nitro-Cell)	G.S.	"	12,725	20,996	23,103	23,355	25,486	28,842	26,176	13,138	14,453	15,430
Enamels(Nat.& Syn.)	G.S.	"	5,251	42,821	* 45,431	*48,837	*56,566	* 65,262	*57,741	34,381	45,180	49,885
Water Paints	G.S.	'000 lbs.	55	117	* 102	* 153	* 170	* 155	* 191	* 252	* 328	270
Soap - Household	G.S.	cwt	16,024	16,745	19,153	*19,193	*19,912	* 22,194	*17,451	16,892	19,483	16,665
Toilet & Hand	G.S.	"	1,489	3,798	4,726	* 4,480	* 4,448	* 5,308	* 5,015	4,003	4,575	3,837
Flakes & Chips	G.S.	"	..	1,715	* 2,711	2,308	* 2,305	* 2,410	* 2,048	2,612	2,976	2,416
Industrial	G.S.	"	..	2,523	4,097	3,189	3,465	3,508	* 2,983	* 1,659	2,087	3,271
Sand	G.S.	"	3,156	750	* 1,156	983	1,048	1,692	1,628	540	871	935
Soft	G.S.	"	445	522	565	* 612	* 677	* 559	* 672	* 558	* 422	717
Liquid	G.S.	"	..	1,369	2,216	* 2,559	* 2,552	* 2,906	* 2,589	* 2,268	* 2,400	2,264
Extracts & Powders	G.S.	"	10,277	22,265	25,517	32,451	30,171	42,079	30,746	25,771	31,716	26,970
Superphosphate	C. & A.	ton	39,854	52,069	51,564	52,752	43,874	55,404	52,470	40,604	51,104	36,983
Sulphuric Acid (100%)	G.S.	"	16,543	19,836	20,223	20,480	16,297	20,428	20,935	18,290	18,757	15,711
METALS: - Gold (Mine Production)	M.D.	fine oz.	12,373	5,532	5,809	5,302	5,351	5,412	5,553	5,684	7,822	5,684
BUILDING FITTINGS:												
Stoves - Solid Fuel (b)	G.S.	number	1,439	1,115	1,253	1,401	1,421	1,669	1,557	1,229	1,217	956
Gas (b)	G.S.	"	1,987	1,393	1,374	1,138	1,226	1,607	1,386	910	1,082	1,077
Coppers- Gas	G.S.	"	..	810	867	579	558	743	527	644	..	..
Bath Heaters - Solid Fuel	G.S.	"	..	798	793	* 743	* 764	* 805	* 756	529	564	473
Gas	G.S.	"	..	247	712	554	314	792	622	578	592	775
Sinks, Stainless Steel	G.S.	"	..	4,160	5,390	* 5,535	* 5,354	* 6,070	* 5,811	5,963	5,719	5,096
FLOOR COVERINGS:												
Wool Felt & Carpets	G.S.	'000 sq.yds.	..	132	130	108	145	150	108	167	159	171

(a) Factory production only.

(b) Household and commercial cooking stoves in 1938-39, thereafter household cooking stoves only.

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			Year				1951			1952		
			1938-39	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
ELECTRIC MOTORS: (a)												
Under 1 H.P.	G.S.	number	..	4,971	*6,746	7,598	8,901	9,374	8,319	6,808	8,637	7,854
1 H.P. and under 2½ H.P.	G.S.	"	..	828	776	666	497	648	783	313	319	552
2½ " " 5 H.P.	G.S.	"	..	429	398	311	443	269	160	159	269	266
5 " " 10 H.P.	G.S.	"	..	122	179	171	121	461	197	152	121	45
ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES:												
Electric Toasters (Domestic)	G.S.	"	..	7,370	6,991	7,355	14,555	12,793	12,070	4,634	6,577	6,164
Electric Hot Water Jugs(Complete)	G.S.	"	..	12,431	11,953	13,294	13,103	*17,641	18,461	2,273	3,922	8,343
Radios(Portable,Mantel,Table,Console)	G.S.	"	) 5,227	( 6,890	9,462	4,501	5,923	6,101	6,420	3,578	5,059	4,509
Radiograms (all types)	G.S.	"		( 1,291	1,555	1,070	1,629	1,596	1,189	1,736	1,599	2,512
COTTON SEWING THREAD: (counts over 12)	G.S.	lb.	..	45,695	65,747	67,531	85,891	78,714	79,609	52,466	52,123	49,695
COTTON TWEEDS:	G.S.	sq.yd.	154,435	80,017	81,042	80,964	93,040	91,673	95,691	44,090	60,936	51,494
WOOL TEXTILES: Scoured Wool (b)	G.S.	'000 lb.	3,172	5,492	4,701	*3,902	*3,432	*4,390	*4,112	*2,661	*3,580	4,185
Wool Tops	G.S.	"	936	1,187	1,135	839	1,139	1,362	972	674	830	783
Yarn - Worsted	G.S.	"	612	1,055	1,027	823	1,144	1,174	*929	738	841	839
Woollen	G.S.	"	731	1,244	1,018	875	1,122	1,254	*1,024	705	747	791
Woven Cloth	G.S.	'000 sq.yds.	1,415	1,690	1,634	*1,237	*1,620	*1,717	1,385	1,008	1,258	1,258
HOSIERY: Women's, Maids', Girls'												
Fully Fashioned	G.S.	doz. pr.	..	79,907	85,652	*91,421	101,567	112,478	94,278	*120,766	*122,118	111,487
Circular	G.S.	"	..	7,173	6,846	6,458	6,445	8,774	6,865	6,361	8,158	6,879
Anklelets	G.S.	"	..	23,321	24,578	18,656	22,935	29,513	23,536	22,284	30,554	27,487
Men's & Boys'	G.S.	"	..	80,459	104,983	95,468	121,554	136,951	107,920	*110,304	*127,831	113,626
Children's	G.S.	"	..	38,399	36,527	32,216	35,509	42,333	34,842	28,868	30,067	27,060
KNITTED UNDERWEAR: (c) Men's	G.S.	doz.	) 91,941	( 39,371	36,324	*39,916	*48,347	*54,658	*45,353	32,231	38,117	32,876
Women's	G.S.	"		( 57,581	74,732	*68,436	*77,458	*91,463	*84,454	63,787	66,871	62,059
Children's	G.S.	"		( 24,534	25,618	*25,029	*26,642	*37,651	*29,118	17,977	20,711	16,486
CLOTHING (except knitted):												
Shirts - Men's and Boys'	G.S.	"	22,581	24,885	26,088	*29,110	*29,190	*37,280	*37,664	*24,811	*31,295	26,304
Pyjama Suits - Men's and Boys'	G.S.	"	6,097	6,496	5,299	*6,454	*6,255	*6,240	*7,524	*4,944	*4,633	3,338
GLOVES (not rubber):												
Dress - Leather	G.S.	doz.pr.	77	2,268	1,612	*1,099	*1,304	*872	*1,015	1,778	1,952	1,649
Other	G.S.	"	..	2,154	2,458	3,021	3,282	3,643	*4,778	4,563	4,975	4,580
Work	G.S.	"	1,187	1,204	1,216	1,565	1,446	1,471	1,955	1,509	1,239	1,062
FOOTWEAR(Not rubber)Boots & Shoes												
Sandals	G.S.	'000 pr.	622	604	670	*659	*718	*789	*719	697	731	649
Slippers	G.S.	"	..	64	61	*62	*99	*120	*115	66	73	65
	G.S.	"	352	356	361	*308	*403	*390	*346	266	259	290

(a) Figures include all motors made and incorporated in other products of the manufacturers. (b) Includes carbonised wool.

(c) Made in knitting mills until June 1952. Thereafter includes underwear made from knitted piece goods.



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FOOD, DRINK & TOBACCO:												
Flour (from Wheat)	G.S.	short ton	36,402	37,315	37,467	45,471	44,259	47,015	43,517	51,412	53,839	52,114
Bran (from Wheat)	G.S.	" "	7,937	7,466	7,226	9,009	8,803	9,497	8,939	9,839	10,477	9,735
Pollard (from Wheat)	G.S.	" "	7,515	7,658	7,381	9,259	9,157	9,539	8,826	10,745	11,258	10,954
Biscuits	G.S.	'000 lb.	1,697	2,786	2,843	3,383	3,205	3,657	3,444	2,845	3,634	3,132
Confectionery - Chocolate Basis	G.S.	" "	1,121	2,666	2,237	1,898	2,355	2,304	1,666	1,810	1,763	1,343
Other	G.S.	" "	1,589	2,128	2,099	2,313	2,315	2,635	2,667	2,431	2,600	2,070
Beef and Veal	G.S.	ton	9,499	10,384	11,263	11,392	10,554	11,609	11,648	9,594	10,265	9,329
Lamb	G.S.	"	4,890	5,582	3,850	3,669	2,691	4,906	7,872	3,807	9,254	12,324
Mutton	G.S.	"	6,454	6,773	4,633	5,259	3,381	4,824	6,071	6,464	8,702	7,888
Pork	G.S.	"	897	554	701	716	585	746	793	470	549	543
Bacon & Ham (Cured Weight)	G.S.	"	614	661	644	632	535	599	782	620	681	615
Total Meat (in terms of fresh)	G.S.	"	23,688	24,401	21,322	21,895	17,939	22,900	27,448	21,178	29,696	30,920
Butter (factory only)	G.S.	"	4,718	5,282	4,839	4,980	6,274	9,097	9,005	6,116	8,189	8,345
Cheese (factory only)	G.S.	"	720	1,774	1,898	1,840	2,510	3,534	3,547	2,506	3,557	3,711
Processed Milk Products (a)	G.S.	"	..	5,783	5,192	5,672	7,091	9,865	10,330	7,408	9,944	10,836
Ice Cream	G.S.	'000 gals.	89	328	430	397	395	492	523	345	382	327
Beer	T.&C.	"	2,621	4,143	4,454	4,728	4,228	5,065	4,893	5,241	5,100	2,134
Oatmeal & Rolled or Crushed Oats	G.S.	cwt.	11,786	15,128	11,808	10,387	4,142	3,559	4,429	3,822	4,515	8,466
Prepared Breakfast Foods (wheat)	G.S.	"	4,053	12,222	10,335	10,318	8,979	11,801	11,885	12,135	13,711	13,283
Edible Starch (Maize and Wheat)	G.S.	"	..	7,997	8,298	7,686	6,023	7,741	5,416	6,846	6,895	6,095
Margarine - Table	G.S.	"	1,871	1,569	945	1,222	1,023	1,100	1,143	2,175	2,125	1,541
Other	G.S.	"	5,403	6,926	4,810	*6,403	*6,880	*6,516	*5,410	7,182	5,770	5,101
Malt - Barley & Wheaten	G.S.	'000 bushel (40 lb.)	202	307	308	323	317	327	325	338	367	334
Jams, Conserves & Jellies (b)	G.S.	'000 lb.	4,131	5,917	5,609	4,940	3,601	2,889	2,399	1,693	1,483	1,833
Canned Apricots, Peaches, Pears (b)	G.S.	" "	7,901	7,967	8,139	9,894	-	-	-	-	-	-
Green Peas	G.S.	" "	80	225	293	487	-	-	1,565	-	-	..
Other Vegetables (c)	G.S.	" "	333	1,572	2,350	2,450	*3,448	*3,487	*2,054	*745	1,064	1,329
Tobacco, Cigars & Cigarettes (d)	T.&C.	" "	634	869	867	838	1,248	457	957	950	1,029	958
PERAMBULATORS: (Inc. Pushers & Strollers)	G.S.	number	1,757	4,051	4,473	*3,296	*3,425	*3,691	*3,312	3,764	4,294	4,083
MATTRESSES:												
Woven Wire, Link Mesh & Spring	G.S.	"	..	5,694	7,520	7,794	7,486	9,479	7,212	6,216	7,449	7,375
Inner Spring	G.S.	"	639	5,115	7,203	*7,649	*7,746	*5,559	*6,328	8,973	9,531	8,234
Soft Filled & Other	G.S.	"	..	9,974	11,576	*8,337	*8,742	*8,526	*7,532	6,962	6,973	8,597

(a) Includes Infants' and Invalids' Food. (b) Includes Tasmanian Production. (c) Excludes all Tomato products.

(d) Victorian factory production in 1938-39, thereafter quantities on which excise duty is paid.